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REGION 10

M/S 312

July 19, 1979

Mr. Earl Tower  
Department of Ecology  
Solid Waste Management Division  
Olympia, WA 98504

Dear Mr. Tower:

I have enclosed our field inspection report from the Hooker Chemical inspection.

As we discussed, you will provide us with any suggestions by July 23rd. In particular, the State may want to request the information noted in Item 1.

Please call me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

John J. Barich, III  
Project Manager  
Abandoned Hazardous Waste Site Project

Enclosure

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HOOKER CHEMICAL, TACOMA

1. Letter from Doug Hansen to Carl Virgil requesting Hooker to provide us within 30 days:

- A definitive summary of corporate plans for disposing of wastes in 13 railroad tank cars, including ultimate disposition of the tank cars, themselves
- A commitment for the expeditious ultimate disposition of 70-80 drums of trichloroethylene waste
- A summary of the disposition of spent graphite anodes (for subsequent investigation of possible chlorinated organic problems).

ACTION: Rogelio C. Fuentes, by 7/27/79

2. Verify with Region 2 that Hooker, New York, is installing waste incineration facilities which will be permitted by State authorities.

ACTION: John J. Barich, by 7/27/79

3. Develop a means of alerting current and future property owners of sites containing asbestos wastes.

ACTION: Neil E. Thompson, by 8/17/79

4. Alert Headquarters to the potential impediments that DOT regulations may place on the shipment of hazardous wastes (especially where each component of the waste is approved for shipment).

ACTION: Rogelio C. Fuentes, by 8/2/79

5. Forward copies of the Field Investigation Report to Hooker Chemical.

ACTION: Rogelio C. Fuentes, by 7/27/79

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